(d) Coal to Ennore and Mettur TPSs is generally being moved by rail-cum-sea route via Vizag and Paradip ports. The additional expenditure involved would be confined by and large to the Sea freight and the Port charges. Exact time taken to move coal by rail-cum-sea route is not available in the Ministry. However, as intimated by TNEB informally, the lead time for moving coal via rail-cum-sea route on an average is 21 days. Care is taken by coal companies to move adequate quantities of coal to the ports in order to ensure uninterrupted availability of coal to these power stations.

(e) No scheme for subsidising movement of coal by rail-cum-sea route is being implemented by the Government at present.

Private/foreign companies in coal mining sector

728. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE :
SHRI SARDA MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that private sector companies, Indian and Foreign are taking interest and offering their investment in Coal mines;

(b) if so, what are the details of the offers, the names of companies and coalfields of their interest;

(c) what are the terms and conditions offered to private companies or vice-versa;

(d) what is the quality of the coal going to be mined by the private companies; and

(e) what is the last three years' production of coal and projected target for production by the end of the current year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) and (b) Several Indian and Foreign Organisations have shown interest in coal mining. 14 coal mining blocks have been allocated to such organisations who are developing power/steel plants for their captive consumption. The details are as under :

S. No.	Name	End use	Coalfields in which blocks identified/ indicated are located.
1	2	3	4
1	M/s. R.P.G. Industries/Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation.	Power generation	Raniganj and North Karanpura
2	M/s. Kalinga Power Corporation	Power generation	Talcher
3	M/s. Nippon Denro Ispat Ltd.	Power generation	Wardha/Bander
4	M/s. Tamil Nadu Electricity Board	Power generation	Talcher
5	M/s. Gujarat Power Corporation	Power generation	Ib valley (tentative indication)

1	2	3	4
6.	M/s. Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board	Power generation	Talcher
7.	M/s. Indian Aluminium Comapany Ltd.	Power generation	Ib valley
8.	M/s. Development Consultants Ltd.	Power generation	Rajmahal
9.	M/s. Associated Cement Co. Ltd.	Power generation	Wardha
10.	M/s. HOKI	Power generation	Talcher
11.	M/s. Samlai Power Private Ltd.	Power generation	Ib valley
12.	M/s. Jindal Strips Ltd.	Sponge Iron	Hasdeo-Anand
13.	M/s. Prakash Industries Ltd.	Sponge Iron	Hasdeo-Anand
14.	M/s. Birala Technic Services Ltd.	Pig Iron	North Karanpura

In addition a few organisations have shown interest in development of coal mines in joint sector with Coal India Limited. The names of these organisations are given below

1. Joy Manufacturing Company.
2. International Long wall (India) Ltd.
3. White Industries Australia Ltd.
4. BHP-Minerals International Inc. Corporation.
5. Indo-gulf Fertilizers & Chemicals Ltd.
6. HINDALCO Industries Ltd.
7. MM Bhagat & Company.
8. Blackkhill Minerals Pty. Ltd.
9. Eastern Minerals & Trading agency.
10. CESSC Ltd.

(c) The proposals for Captive mining in identified blocks will be subject to the normal legal provisions governing coal mining in the country.

(d) The Captive mining blocks already allocated contain non coking coal which is generally of the Grades 'D', 'E' or 'F'.

(e) The year-wise production of coal by Coal India Limited (CIL) and Singareni Collieries Company Limited (SCCL) are as follows :—

Year	Coal Production (in million tonnes) CIL	SCCL
1991-92	204.16	20.58
1992-93	211.22	22.51
1993-94	216.10	25.21

The coal production targets for the current year in respect of CIL and SCCL have been fixed at 223.00 m.t. and 25.60 m.t. respectively.

Foreign companies in coal sector

729. SHRI SURESH KALMADI
SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL :
SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA :
SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI :
SHRI GAYA SINGH :
SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH:

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are contemplating to offer equal or majority stake to foreign